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Pedestrian Access Closed on Southbound State Route 273 (North Market Street)

REDDING – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will resume work on the \$11.5 million North Market Street Rehabilitation Project on State Route 273 on Wednesday, January 19, 2005. Pedestrian access on the southbound (west) shoulder of the roadway, from Lake Blvd. to Benton Drive will be restricted until that portion of the project is completed in June. Pedestrians will be redirected to the northbound (east) side of the highway.

Work on the retaining walls on the west side of Sulphur Creek Hill require the installation of Krail barrier, which will eliminate the shoulder area where pedestrian traffic usually travels. The work will begin at the bottom of the hill at Sulphur Creek Road and continue up to Lake Blvd. Hours of construction will be between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. weekdays, weather permitting.

Travelers can expect detours and short traffic delays due to the construction, throughout the duration of the project. Motorists are asked to reduce their speed and drive with caution when approaching the construction zone. Traffic fines are doubled in construction zones.

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